

**Comhairle Contae Fine Gall
Fingal County Council**

Minutes of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Area Committee (Services B - Strategic
and General Matters)

Thursday, 9th April, 2026

PRESENT

Councillors:

Boland, Cathal

Boland, Mark

Butler, Darragh

Corkery, Luke

Dockrell, Eoghan

Johnston, Corina

Humphreys, James

Maguire, Grainne

Councillors:

Murphy, Tony

Mulligan, Dean

Mulville, Paul

Newman, Joe

O'Leary, Tom

Quinn, Malachy

Smyth, John

Ryan, Brendan

Apologies were received from the following Councillors: Darren Jack Kelly

In the absence of the Area Chair, Councillor Tom O'Leary, presided

OFFICIALS PRESENT

David Storey (Director of Services), Brian Murray (Senior Executive Officer), Cormac Healy (Senior Executive Officer) Kevin Halpenny (Senior Parks and Landscape Officer), Breen Dorris (Senior Executive Engineer), Oliver Hoey (Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer), Fiona Glynn (Administrative Officer), Geraldine O'Hanlon Prunty (Senior Community Officer), Robbie Corr (Sports Development Officer), Aaron O'Callaghan (Executive Engineer), Michael Campbell (Senior Staff Officer), Mary O'Reilly (Senior Staff Officer), Caoimhe Halpin (A/Senior Staff Officer) David Daly (Assistant Staff Officer), Linda Fanning (Clerical Officer)

BSB/184/26 (Agenda Item No 1)

Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Services B (Strategic and General Matters) Meeting held on Thursday the 12th March 2026.

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor J. Newman, seconded by Councillor T. Murphy and **RESOLVED** –

“That the minutes of the Balbriggan/Rush-Lusk/Swords Services B (Strategic and General Matters) meeting held on Thursday 12th March 2026 be **Adopted**.

BSB/185/26 (Agenda Item No)

QUESTIONS

It was **PROPOSED** by Councillor T. O’Leary, seconded by Councillor J. Newman and **RESOLVED** -

“That pursuant to Standing Order No. 51, Questions 2 – 15 inclusive be **ADOPTED**.”

BSB/186/26 (Agenda Item No 2)

Councillor J. Smyth - Update on Changes to Junction - Balheary Road/North Street - Swords - AI107123

BSB/187/26 (Agenda Item No 3)

Councillor L. Corkery - Traffic Plan - Lord Mayor's Site - Swords - AI107550

BSB/188/26 (Agenda Item No 4)

Councillor L. Corkery - Number of Parking Spaces - Lord Mayor's Site - Swords - AI107551

BSB/189/26 (Agenda Item No 5)

Councillor C. Johnston - Renovation Works - Naul Community Hall - AI107577

BSB/190/26 (Agenda Item No 6)

Councillor C. Johnston - Report on Donabate Library Extension - AI107578

BSB/191/26 (Agenda Item No 7)

Councillor C. Johnston - Report on Upgrade Works of the Donabate/Portrane Community Centre - AI107579

BSB/192/26 (Agenda Item No 8)

Councillor C. Johnston - Report on the Rathmore Park Recreational Hub - Lusk - AI107580

BSB/193/26 (Agenda Item No 9)

Councillor C. Johnston - Report on Derelict and Vacant Sites in this LEA - AI107614

BSB/194/26 (Agenda Item No 10)

Councillor C. Johnston - Report on Planning Enforcement Complaints in this LEA - AI107615

BSB/195/26 (Agenda Item No 11)

Councillor B. Ryan - Provision of All-Weather Pitch - Man'O'War - Skerries - AI107663

BSB/196/26 (Agenda Item No 12)

Councillor B. Ryan - Completion of Junction Upgrades - Skerries Bridge Roundabout and Sherick Road - Golf Links Road - Sherlock Terrace - AI107664

BSB/197/26 (Agenda Item No 13)

Councillor B. Ryan - Report on Former Dump Opposite Clifflands Estate - Rush - AI107667

BSB/198/26 (Agenda Item No 14)

Councillor B. Ryan - Discussions on Future use of Skerries Sports Hub - AI107676

BSB/199/26 (Agenda Item No 15)

Councillor B. Ryan - Funding for Skerries Sport Hub - AI107680

BSB/200/26 (Agenda Item No 16)

Applications for Funding

a Applications for Community Funding

It was proposed by Councillor T. O'Leary and seconded by Councillor C. Boland and AGREED:

"That this Committee recommends that the County Council **APPROVE** of the Activity Funding Grants Applications in the attached report."

BSB/201/26 (Agenda Item No 16b)

Applications for Sports Funding

It was proposed by Councillor C. Boland and seconded by Councillor T. O'Leary and AGREED:

"That this Committee recommends that the County Council **APPROVE** of the Activity Funding Grants Applications in the attached report."

BSB/202/26 (Agenda Item No 17)

Declaration of Roads/Taking in Charge

a Barnageeragh Cove Phase 3, Skerries

The Report was noted.

b Sample Woods Phase 1, Donabate

The Report was noted.

BSB/203/26 (Agenda Item No 18)

Loughshinny Play Space

Mr. Oliver Hoey (Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer) gave a presentation on the Loughshinny Play Space.

Following a discussion the presentation was noted.

BSB/204/26 (Agenda Item No 19)
Portrane Play Trails

Mr. Oliver Hoey (Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer) gave a presentation on the Portrane Play Trails.

Following a discussion the presentation was noted.

BSB/205/26 (Agenda Item No 20)
Financial assistance to Approved Housing Bodies under the Capital Assistance Scheme - Call for CAS 2017 to provide units of living accommodation in the Fingal area

Ms Fiona Glynn (Administrative Officer) gave a report on Financial assistance to Approved Housing Bodies under the Capital Assistance Scheme - Call for CAS 2017 to provide units of living accommodation in the Fingal area.

Following a discussion the report was noted.

BSB/206/26 (Agenda Item No 21)
Proposed Disposals

- a **Notice of Proposed Grant of Wayleave at Barrysparks, Swords, Co. Dublin to Bovale Developments Unlimited Company, 27 Dublin Road, Miltonsfields, Swords, Co. Dublin**

The Report was noted.

BSB/207/26 (Agenda Item No 22)
Skerries Active Travel Plan

Mr. Breen Dorris (Senior Executive Engineer) and Mr. Robert Kelly (Consultant from DBFL Consulting Engineers) gave a presentation on the Skerries Active Travel Plan.

Following a discussion the presentation was noted.

BSB/208/26 (Agenda Item No 23)
Correspondence

- a **E-mail dated 24th March 2026 from the Minister for Education and Youth regarding Councillor D. Kelly Motion - Primary and Secondary School Delivery Timelines in this LEA - AI104852**

The letter from the Minister for Education and Youth was Noted.

- b **E-mail dated 25th March 2026 form Uisce Éireann regarding Councillor C. Johnston Motion - Upgrade of Water Network - Corballis, Donabate - AI106006**

The letter from Uisce Éireann was Noted.

- c **E-mail dated 31st of March 2026 from the Minister of Transport regarding Councillor P. Mulville Motion - Northern Commuter Line - Constant Delays and Overcrowding in this LEA - AI105130**

The letter from the Minister of Transport was Noted.

BSB/209/26 (Agenda Item No 24)

Councillor D. Kelly - Finalising Active Travel Projects - Swords and Balbriggan Electoral Areas - AI107294

The Motion in the name of Councillor D. Kelly was proposed by Councillor J. Newman and seconded by Councillor C. Boland

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was read and CONSIDERED and following discussion the report was Accepted.

BSB/210/26 (Agenda Item No)

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

It was agreed to extend the meeting until the conclusion of the last motion

BSB/211/26 (Agenda Item No 25)

Councillor C. Johnston - Extension of Management Assistance Funding Scheme - Balscadden, Ballyboughal, Oldtown, Garristown and Balrothery - AI107582

The Motion in the name of Councillor C. Johnston was proposed by Councillor C. Johnston and seconded by Councillor E. Dockrell

The report by the Chief Executive, which had been circulated, was read and CONSIDERED and following discussion the report was Accepted.

The meeting concluded at 16:08

AREA CHAIRPERSON

DATED